IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 1 (as numbered) before the paragraph beginning "The invention . . ." insert a paragraph

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 10 (as numbered) with the following:

It is an objective of the invention to improve on this. SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 5 (as numbered) with the following:

Preferably the The second coupling member is may be welded fixed to the transverse beam.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 8 (as numbered) with the following:

Preferably the <u>The</u> second coupling member is <u>may be</u> placed in the transverse beam, as a result of which the occupation of space can be kept very limited.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 11 (as numbered) with the following:

Preferably the The transverse beam is may be tubular having a first wall and an opposite second wall, the second coupling member being permanently or undetachably attached, such as by means of welding, to the first wall and/or to the second wall. In case of attachment to both walls the forces during use can be transferred to the chassis beam at two-in cross-section-spaced apart locations.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 21 (as numbered) with the following:

Advantageously In one embodiment the second coupling member is provided with a placement flange, as a result of which the mounting of the second coupling member is facilitated. If the second coupling member is a steel casting the flange shortens the decarbonization path after casting the second coupling member, which decarbonization is necessary in order to render the material fit for welding.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 7 (as numbered) with the following:

The second coupling member preferably is furthermore may furthermore be provided with one or more means for attachment of a safety cable, so that they have been present ever since the production of the vehicle.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 11 (as numbered) with the following:

Preferably In one embodiment the first coupling member can be detachably coupled to the second coupling member, so that it is possible to change the first coupling member.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 15 (as numbered) with the following:

Preferably the The first coupling member is may be dividable into a first part that can be coupled to the second coupling member and a second part that can be connected to an operation member, such as a hitch ball. Thus the coupling assembly becomes more versatile, and the user is able to choose the wanted function by only selecting a small part of the assembly.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 17 (as numbered) with the following:

Preferably the chassis comprises The chassis may comprise a transverse beam situated at the rear, the coupling member being fixedly attached, preferably welded fixed, to the transverse beam. The coupling member may be welded fixed to the transverse beam using a placement flange that forms a unity therewith.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 22 (as numbered) with the following:

Preferably the The transverse beam is may be tubular and the coupling member extends into the transverse beam. The transverse beam may be polygonal in cross-section, the coupling member being permanently or undetachably attached to at least two of the sides of the polygon.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 7 (as numbered) with the following:

Preferably the The coupling assembly comprises may comprise a first coupling member provided with a connection part for a car trailer or an accessory, such as a bike rack, and a second coupling member with which the first coupling member can be coupled in order ect it to the vehicle, the eye and/or means for autoe second coupling member.

Page 6, line 22 (as numbered), before the paragraph beginning "The invention... to connect it to the vehicle, the eye and/or means for attaching a safety cable forming a unity with the second coupling member.

insert a new paragraph

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 7, line 14 (as numbered), before the paragraph beginning "Figure 1 . . . " insert a new paragraph

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EXEMPLARY EMBODIMENTS